

**AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS*****Listing of claims:***

1. (Currently Amended) A method for processing a batch job, comprising:  
wrapping the batch job to create an application programming interface for communication with a batch framework, the batch framework comprising a batch dispatcher class, and the batch dispatcher class further comprising a method to execute the batch job; and  
invoking the batch framework according to a predetermined schedule, wherein the method provides for efficient reuse of programming code and platform independence by encapsulating the batch job and providing a uniform application programming interface for an application processing the batch job according to the method.
2. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch job resides locally with the batch framework.
3. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch job resides remotely from the batch framework.
4. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch framework is invoked by a scheduling service.
5. (Original) The process of claim 2 wherein the batch framework is invoked by a scheduling service.
6. (Original) The process of claim 3 wherein the batch framework is invoked by a scheduling service.
7. (Original) The process of claim 4 wherein the scheduling service is AutoSys.

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8. (Original) The process of claim 7 where the AutoSys further executes a command line parameter.
9. (Original) The process of claim 8 wherein the command line parameter is a Unix shell script.
10. (Original) The process of claim 8 wherein the command line parameter is a Windows NT batch file.
11. (Original) The process of claim 5 wherein the scheduling service is AutoSys.
12. (Original) The process of claim 11 where the AutoSys further executes a command line parameter.
13. (Original) The process of claim 12 wherein the command line parameter is a Unix shell script.
14. (Original) The process of claim 12 wherein the command line parameter is a Windows NT batch file.
15. (Original) The process of claim 6 wherein the scheduling service is AutoSys.
16. (Original) The process of claim 15 where the AutoSys further executes a command line parameter.
17. (Original) The process of claim 16 wherein the command line parameter is a Unix shell script.
18. (Original) The process of claim 16 wherein the command line parameter is a Windows NT batch file.

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19. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1 wherein the batch framework is a Java framework.

20. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1 wherein the application programming interface for communication with the batch framework is a Java application programming interface.